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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	H. Robert Horvitz et al.	Art Unit:	1632
Serial No.:	08/984,178	Examiner:	Ram Shukla
Filed:	December 3, 1997	Customer No.:	21559
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Sequence Listing

In reply to the Office Communication with Examiner Shukla, on January 8, 2003, applicants submit herewith a paper copy of the Sequence Listing that was filed in 08/287,669. A Sequence Statement and an Amendment, requesting insertion of this Sequence Listing, were filed by facsimile on January 8, 2003.

Initialed Information Disclosure Statement

In addition, in accordance with the Examiner's request, applicants submit herewith Hengartner et al., *Nature* 356:494-499, 2002. This reference was cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 4, 1998, but was not initialed when the Information Disclosure Statement was returned. Applicants respectfully request that the

Examiner initial and return the Information Disclosure Statement with the next Office Communication.

CONCLUSION

It is applicants' understanding that the claims now pending are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. If the Office does not concur, a telephonic interview with the undersigned is hereby requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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